Idaho Fish and Game Commission Special Meeting March 1, 2007 Fish and Game Headquarters Boise, Idaho

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Cameron Wheeler at 8:00 a.m. with Commissioners Barowsky, Budge, McDermott and Power participating.

Present in the Director's office were Deputy Director Terry Mansfield, Sharon Kiefer, Legislative Liaison; Dallas Burkhalter, Deputy Attorney Genereal; Mike Keckler, Chief, Bureau of Communications; and Mary Boyer, Executive Assistant.

LEGISLATION

Sharon Kiefer reported that the Department Sponsored legislation SB 1010 and SB 1011 have been signed in to law by the Governor. The bills will go into effect July 1, 2007.

MISCELLANEOUS

Update on Rulon Jones

Deputy Director Terry Mansfield reported on the Department's plan to remove wild animals entrapped in the pen on Mr. Jones facility. Best estimation of animals is approximately 20 deer, up to 15 elk and 4 moose confined in the pen. The Department of Agriculture will assist and take the samples to test for disease. The Department is encouraging Mr. Jones, Department of Agriculture, and field staff to develop an effect herd plan under the existing statues to get a three way cooperative effort for the future.

LEGISLATION

Sharon Kiefer updated the Commission on the following legislation (Appendix 40, Exhibit 32).

SB 1074 domestic cervid bill has passed the Senate and is being held at the Speaker's desk.

SB 1087 regarding Commissioner term limits died on the Senate floor.

SJR 104 is a rewrite of SJR 103 that is a constitutional amendment that secures access to public lands.

The Commission will monitor.

Commissioner Irby joined the call at 8:20 a.m.

SB 1128 Internet Hunting has been sent to the Senate for 14th order to clarify.

MISCELLANEOUS

Adjournment		
The Commission meeting adjourned at 8:26 a.m.		
Cameron Wheeler	Cal Groen	
Chairman	Secretary	